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MIMOR MENTION.

Bituminous coal is on the protected list, and has been for years. Coal is one of the necessities of life.

A BIG BLAZE.

The largest fire on the river front that Wilmington has seen in years occurred early yesterday morning.

BEATS THE GOLD CURE.

Raw Tomatoes and Common Salt Will Knock Out the Liquor Habit—That's the way they do it in Missouri.

AMENDING CITY CHARTERS.

In a number of cities and towns the Mayor is elected by the Board of Aldermen, and the wards have been gerrymandered so as to enable the majority.

POP. SENATOR'S OPINION.

Says the Fashionists Are Going to "Save the Stars" by a New Election Law—Thinks Butler Will Be U. S. Senator.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Board of Directors of the First National Bank of Wilmington, the Quarantine Station for Wilmington.

ESCAPE OF PRISONERS.

From the Jail at Houston, Halifax County, Virginia.

RIVER AND MARINE.

The schooner Orlando from Port au Prince, bound for Wilmington, N. C., was wrecked on December 2nd at Long Cay, one of the Bahamas.

ORDER CHASE FRIENDS.

Mr. OLIVE, N. C., Dec. 18. Mount Olive Council No. 94 Order Chosen Friends was organized here today by H. Whitcooper, P. O. C.

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Those who use oil for illuminating purposes, and so often with unsatisfactory results may profit by the following hints contributed by a lady to the Richmond Dispatch.

"Why do my lamps give a more brilliant light than those in other houses?" she repeated. "Possibly because I take better care of them."

"I rub women's feet with their burners. This should be done at least once a week. I rub mine all first with paper, then place them all in a sauce-pan of boiling water and soap-water. There they remain for thirty minutes, when they are rinsed off with clear hot water, laid to drain, and afterward carefully rubbed and polished with a bit of old flannel. I find this the only way to prevent smoking or unseemly greasiness."

"This is my systematic weekly cleaning schedule: As to the wicks, I fancy in most lamps they are not changed frequently enough. I put in a new one every week. The lamp is apt to smoke unless this is done. Then never cut your wick with a pair of scissors. It may be excellent, but I'll warrant the arc of your flame will never be perfect if scissors have been called into play. When the wick is inserted simply burn the end off. The flame will make its own pathway more artistically than you could do, and the after-light will have no ragged edges. Every morning nip all the burned edges away with a flannel cloth."

"A vital point for the maintenance of a strong glow is the daily replenishing of the oil. Never let the wick strain for its sustenance. Without good fuel, no wick will burn. Imitations will emit a very feeble flame."

"Of course, my chimneys are polished every morning. They are 'sooted' into a generous pan of hot water and sponges and polished off with ammonia. "That is no denying," concluded, "that lamps require much attention, but they are grateful and respond in such a brilliant manner that, once never begrudges the time spent on them."

— Greenville Reflector. We have always thought that Greenville was a gold mine, if properly worked, but had no idea that the shining metal itself was hid in the soil of our bustling little town. But it seems to be so. Mr. G. W. Hodges, of Hyde county, was sinking an artesian well on the premises of Mr. C. Latham, and when at a depth of 147 feet shining particles like gold came out with the earth and water. Mr. Hodges gathered up samples of the metal and will send them to an assayer for examination.

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